evening of each month, and the public are invited to

' HISTORICAL SOCIETY. The first of the Winter Course of Lectures before the Historica) Sachety was delivered but night by the Rev. Dr. Britiuss, on the subject of Common Sens-Rev. Dr. Extruses, on the subject of Common Sense. The lecturer demonstrated Common Sense to be a just harmony of the opinions and principles that actual and regulate mankind in its various social dealings, in the same manner that Virtue is described by Aristolis as the Harmony of the Soul. The lecture-room was the subject of the subject of the subject of the subject of the subject.

The next lecture of the Course will be delivered on Monday evening next by the Rev. Dr. Chapin.

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BROOKLYN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

Manharan Beak. 170 Sept. 1 only \$1,400 at this time.

The Committee on Courts reported that additional

The Commattee on Courts reported that additional reson could not be procured for Judge Culver's Court, in consequence of the adjoining room being occupied by the Board of Assersors, but that they had made the other improvements asked for.

A motion was made to take from the table the bill of Mr. Bergen, asking the Legislature to pass a law requiring the Justices to send all prisoners sentenced for a term of over five days to the Penitentiary in the Court of the Court o

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stead of the jail. The motion was lost, and the Board adjourned for three weeks.

Is THE WINTER?-This is at present a very common expression. It was a very pertinent one yester-day. It might well be said of such a bright, beautiful day as that of Jan. 12, 1858, "Is this Winter?" Mon were at work in their shirt-sleeves. Men were peram bulating the streets in such dresses as are common! worn in Winter, but with coats unbuttoned and collar open, exclaiming to acquaintances as they met them How warm! Can this be Winter! Women were out-ob, what a Broadway full of them were out in furs, but they were constantly exclaiming: "How "warm it is! Can this be Winter?" Children were playing in the streets in all the careless glee of children in a levely day in Spring, and no one ever thought to say to a playmate, "Come, let's go in-I am cold." How could they be cold, when the day was so warm In fact, we have not yet had a cold day. If we re member rightly, one of the coldest since last Winter was the 25th of November. Even Monday, with all its down-pouring rain, was not a cold day-quite the contrary. It was too warm for fires, and they wer permitted to die out, and the quick-ilver in the ther mometer still persisted in remaining above seventy and sleepers who did not prepare for a warm nigh most incontinently "kicked the kiver off." In the morning of yesterday the open windows all about town, to let in the fresh air, indicated anything els than such weather as we have been accustomed to at this season, and gave everybody good reason to i quire of everybody else, "Is this Winter?"

Broadway was thronged yesterday with promenaders attracted to the street by the magnificent weather. The crowd was as great as on any early Autumn day, and the whole city, indeed, presented a scene of comfor and gayety anything but characteristic of Midwinter.

The City Hall clock has suspended. It has been 20 minutes past 3 for three days. The City has been humbugged shamefully in clocks, and it is time we had better time. Is there a good time coming?

Mr. A. M. Davenport's benefit on Monday night at Wallach's theater was well attended, notwithstanding the severe storm. Mr. D. was enthusiastically called out, and made a next speech, stating that he had been very ill for two or three days, and thanking his friends

BENEFIT OF MR. GAYLER, -At Mr. Gayler's benefit at Empire Hall, this afternoon and evening, attractions more than ordinary are offered. This afternoon Mis-Laura Keene will read an original poem on the subject of Dr. Kane's discoveries; and this evening, de the regular lecture, there are some extra readings by Mr. Gayler himself.

Dr. S. Waterman, No. 100 Forsyth street, was appointed, on the 31st December, by the Police Commis Fioners, Assistant Police Surgeon, and has charge of the Fifth District, comprising the Fourth and Sixth

A Successful Enterprise .- A few of the members of the Rev. Dr. Adams's Church Lave been engaged in a Mission Sabbath School, and finding themselves embarrassed for want of suitable accommodations, they set about the erection of a Chapel on Third avenue, near Thirtieth street. Private subscriptions were raised to the amount of \$4,000, and a few days ago, the Rev. Dr. Adams successfully appealed to his congregation to furnish the balance of the cost-some \$3,000. Last Sunday night the Chapel was dedicated by the Pastor of Madison square Church, assisted by Prof. Mitchcock. The building will accommodate 600 or 700 persons. It is a neat, simple, commodious building, properly adapted to its objects. On the first floor are two stores, the rent of which will provide the means of defraving the expenses of the School, and of sustaining a Missionary, should that direction be given to the enterprise. Already 260 children are gathered into the school, and boys' meetings are held every Sabbath.

COLDBEATERS' MEETING .- Last evening the journeymen goldbeaters held a meeting in Spring street, to consult upon what course they should take to pre vent the destruction of their trade. Mr. The Mitchell was called to preside, and Mr. James Y. Bailey was appointed Secretary. It appears that gold leaf is now imported at a price far below the cost of manufacturing it here, and in consequence many workmen have been thrown out of employment. The meeting appointed a Committee to memorialize Congress upon the subject of increasing the duty upon imported gold leaf.

THE MAYOR'S DETAILED FORCE, On Tuesday morning the reserved Police force detailed at th Mayor's office entered upon duty under command Sergt, James A. Croft.

Their duties will be confined to pawabroker shops, intelligence offices, jurk shops, public carts, carringes, drivers, &c., and all found without licenses or violatin the laws will be immediately arrested and fined accord-

The force have been detailed as follows: For Pasenbrokers, Junkshops, Second-hand Dealers and In-dispense Offices—Daniel Horrigan, Wen. P. Hillard. On Public Carts, Diet Carts, Hand Carts and Cartmen—S. D. Place, Fred. Anderson, C. D. Whycoop, Charles Freeman, B. Albertson.

J. Albertson.

Hackney Coaches and Drivers.—Joseph Quick, B. M. Orphus
James M. Meiler, Abraham V. Davis, Bernard Nets.

Stages, Stage Drivers and Car Drivers.—J. G. Forbes, Peter
S. Fowler, Heckor Moor.

Cm Daty at Mayor's Office and Equad Rooms.—Thomas Cholwell, S. M. Baldwin.

The old Reserve Corps room of the Municipal Police will be the headquarters of the Mayor's Squad, who are to report there twice a day-at 8 o'clock a. m. and at 4 p. m.

There are at present a vast number of carriages run zing without licenses, and the whole of the above force will be detailed for night duty-a number of each being stationed at all the public places of amusement during

ringes to carry lights will also be enforced. No car riage will hereafter be allowed to travel without lightunder a fine of \$1 for each offense. A large number of arrests were made by the force on Tuesday, which shows that a large amount of money has been lost to the City Treasury for the want or police to enforce the

CULIOUS SCENE IN A FASHIONABLE BOARDING House,-On Monday evening a fashionable boardinglonse in Bleecker street, not very far from Broadway was the scene of great confusion and distress, which resulted in a terrible fright to the occupants, but for tunately in little if any barm. At the usual hour the ea bell sounded and the family soon after were all ested. The meal passed off very pleasantly. After apper some retired to their rooms, while others reaired to the parlor to enjoy themselves in conversaion, dancing, or whist playing. Could any one outside have looked in upon that gathering, he would have con sidered them among the happiest beings in the world. Matters thus progressed, when all of a sudden one of the party hastily quitted the room. Two or three of the gentlemen in whispers complained of peculiar griping pains, and expressed wonderment at the cause. An other now retired in baste, followed by another and another, and soon the room was nearly cleared. The parlor was deserted. Those who had sought their rooms were struck with similar pains in the abdominal region, and were at a loss to account for their illness. The consternation now became general, and the family believing they were poisoned, became panie-stricke Horror was depicted on every countenance. The servants were dispatched in every direction for physicians, and ere long the house was be leged by medical nen. The establishment presented at this time the appearance of a private hospital. The doctors administered emetics and other remedies, and in a short time the patients were restored. A chemical examination subsequently made resulted in the discovery that ome mischievous person had put something in the tea, and hence the trouble. Every one seemed pleased that the affair resulted as it did, and laughed at the matter, considering it quite a loke.

COMPLAINTS AT THE MAYOR'S OFFICE AGAINST TICKET SWINDLERS .- A German named Berkel ap peared at the Mayor's office yesterday and complained to Marshal Stephens that he had just been swindled out of \$110, at an office corner of West and Chambers streets. He was induced by runners to apply there for a passage to Bremen, when the parties in charge, or acting as agents, informed him that a steerage ticket would cost him \$30. They there got hold of his money, \$110 in all, under pretense of taking only the right amount (as the applicant knew little of the currency) and retained the whole sum. Neither ticket nor money would be given him, and he found an appeal to the authorities highly necessary. The Marshal dispatched Officers Davis and Miller to the bogus agency in all possible haste, and when they entered the office the parties in charge had the audacity to tell them that the money and ticket were in the safe, where they thought better to keep them, as Berkel might lo them. It was only his safety they considered, in their locking up the funds. The officers compelled them to inmediately disgorge the money, which was returned to Berkel, who was in haste to take passage, and soon after engaged one at a proper agency. The complain ant not being able to remain to prosecute, the accused parties, whose names are recorded on the Marshal's book as Francis Fowler and - Edmonds, will prob ably go free.

A poor woman named Johanna Welsh made com plaint against one Smithurts, a ticket agent, for selling her a ticket for \$20, in August last, which she has been unable to use. The case is under investigation.

A German, unacquainted with the ways of New-York, rushed into the Mayor's office, half out of breath, yesterday afternoon, and complained that he had been robbed of \$10, by runners at the ticket shop of J. Selover, No. 157 Cedar street. An investigation was commenced.

DEPRAVITY .- A case came to light yesterday morning, exhibiting a depth of depravity that would surpass belief, were not the facts established beyond loubt. For apparent reasons, we suppress the name and residence of the parties, though both are on the records of the Police Department, and at the service of the public. The circumstances in brief are these: A man living in Brooklyn was recently thrown out of his situation by the hard times, and being poor, temperarily broke up housekeeping, and went to live with ome of his friends; and his wife also took lodgings with an aunt, it being understood that the arrangement was only to last for a few days, until the husband should find employment. But it seems that the wife stole out of the house nights, and coming to this city, went upon the street; and that, finally, some three or four days since, she quitted the place cutirely, and prostitution in Mercer street, kept by a colored woman. When the aunt with whom she had been living found that she had left, intelligence of the fact was commupicated to the husband, who at once came over to this eity, and laid the facts before the Detective Police, who set themselves about finding her. They soon acceeded in discovering her in the street, and tracking er to the place mentioned, where she was last night rrested. She was yesterday morning given over to er husband, who took her home to Brooklyn.

St. George's Society of New-York .- At the uarterly meeting of this Society, held at the Metropotan Hotel, on Monday, the 11th instant, the following entlemen were unanimously elected Officers for the nsuing year from 23d April next, viz.:

ensuing year from 23d April next, viz.:

President—John C. Beales, M. D.

1st Fice-President—Edward F. Ward.

2d Fice-President—Edward Walker.

Trasurer—Robert Bage.

Scentaries—Henry E. Pellew, Wm. P. Taiboys.

Stewards for Annual Festival—Henry E. Pellew, G. M.

Krevitt, Joseph E. Walker, Wm. P. Taiboys.

Cheritable Committee—Edward F. Ward. Chairman; G. S.

Raissford, C. B. Ellman, Arthur Kendall, C. H. Webb.

Committee of Accounts—Chaires Chiton, Robert Walker, S.

Uwalker.

Chaplains—Rev. Dr. Hawks, Rev. Mr. Ogilby, Rev. Mr.

lennell.

Pennell, Physicians—Dr. Pennell, Dr. Beales, Dr. Rotton, Dr. Brad-sinw, Dr. Cooper. GENERAL SOCIETY OF MECHANICS AND TRADES-IKN .- The annual meeting for the election of officers of this Society for the ensuing year took place at Mcchanics' Hall, No. 472 Broadway, yesterday afternoon, and resulted in the choice of the following-named gen-

Ira Hutchinson, President; George W. Farnhar First Vice-President; John A. Bunting, Second Vice-President; Richard E. Mount, Treasurer; William Van Norden, Secretary, and Frederick W. Williams,

FIRST ELECTION FOR VILLAGE OFFICERS IN NEW ROCHELLE.-Quite a spirited election for the first Board of Trustees and other officers for the village of New-Rochelle, under the charter recently obtained for that place, was held yesterday, and resulted in the

hoice of the following-named persons: Trustees-Dr. Albert Smith, John Adamson, Tho S. Timpson, States Barton, Robert W. Buloid. Treasurer—John Pine. Collector—Burr Redfield.

Assessors—Stephen P. Carpenter, George Wilson, Alexander B. Hudson.

Clerk—Joseph Lamden.
The incorporation of the village was strongly opposed principally by old settlers, and the measure was finally arried by a majority of two votes. Yesterday the Opponents of incorporation and march of improvement in the village rallied, and by a majority of from one to six votes, succeeded in electing, for four of the five Trustees, persons who had voted against the incorporation. They also elected their Treasurer and Collector

This result will, in a great measure, nullify the advan ages which are expected to be derived from the charter; and it is generally understood that the old oppoter; and it is generally understood that the old oppo-nents of incorporation intend, in the month of March next, to call for another election on the question of in corporation, and hope then to secure a majority in favor the night, where carriages congregate, to arrest all of a repeal of the charter obtained; in which case some those found without license. The law requiring car- of the most influential and enterprising residents of the

and two of their three candidates for Assessors.

village, who advocated measures of improvement, will return to the city, or remove to other suburban locations where the people possess more of the go-shead spirit then they have found in New-Rochelle.

The following sales of real estate were made on Sat rday, at the Merchants' Exchange, by Messra, A. J.

I house and let No. 52 Charles street, 123 feet west of November place, let 29 x N.
I house and let No. 129 Franklin street, 25 feet west of Vers Breadway 25 k N.
I let south-east cor. 55 h of and 9th av., 25 k 100.
Assimbles sale of right, title and interest of Samuel Lynch in house and let south side 5 k 10 x 15 h k, 25 k 10 f 7 h k x, Mae in house and let south side 5 k 4 x, 115 ft. F. of B way Also in house and let south side 5 k 4 x, 115 ft. F. of B way Also in house and let south side 5 k 4 x, 115 ft. F. of B way 5.20

ATTEMPTED MURDER. - An Irishman named Richard Corkey attempted the life of another Irishman named Terrence Reynold, yesterday morning, by shooting him through the head with a pistol. Reynold was for merly in the employ of Corkey, who was then engaged in the stove business, and was indebted to him to a considerable amount. Being unable to obtain his mency within a reasonable time, Reynold commenced a civil suit, which, we believe, is still pending. Yesterday morning Reynold, accompanied by a friend, waiked up the Second avenue to Thirty-eighth street, and while standing in the street. Corkey came out of a building near by, and without provocation draw a revolver, and aiming it at Reynold's head discharged one of the barrels. The shot took effect, but fortunately did only slight damage, Reynold having a portion of his left ear blown off. Before Corkey could again fire the revolver, Reynold snatched it out of his hand, and beat him over the head with it, with such violence as to break the butt of the pistol. Corkey, in addition to being badly beaten, was taken to the Jefferson Market Police Court, where Justice Quackenbush committed him to prison in default of \$2,000 bail.

BURGLAR USING CHOLOROFORM.-A few evenings ago a dwelling house in Twentieth street, near the Sixth avenue, was burglariously entered by two men, who finding nothing that they desired in the lower part of the premises, ascended to the bedrooms. Having succeeded in effecting an entrance to the occupants rooms, they preceded to stupefy the sleepers with chloroform. In an adjoining room slept a young girl who awakened about midnight, and looking toward her parents' room, the door between the apartments being open, she saw two men near the bed, one of whem held a dark lantern while the other was applying a bottle to her father's nose. The frightened girl screamed "father," "father;" whereupon the burglars becoming alarmed made their escape. The father was so stupefied when he started from his bed that he was unable to pursue the thieves or give an alarm. The thieves did not get an opportunity to secure any plunder.

Property to be transferred to the custody of the Police Commissioners by Mayor Tiemann consisting of a large number of police fire caps, patrol caps, and cinbs, belonging to the old police force. There are also the following articles left by cartmen and porters, in consequence of the cartage not having been paid: Chest of clothes, chest with brass lock and hair

mattresses; left by cart 4,467.
Glass casse and bedding; left by cart 1,640.
Sea chest, bedding and bag of clothes; left by cart

5,563.
Six chairs, effice stove, anvil, umbrella stand, true and bedding; left by porter 296, Aug. 22, 1857.
A trunk of clothes; left by express No. 26.
Gas burners and trunk; left by porter No. 112.
Three boxes merchandise, left by cart 3,846; and number of comparatively valueless articles. These things will be taken charge of by the Property Clerk, to await the call of the owners. The police paraphernaia will be very acceptable to the present department.

THE AURORA BOREALIS. See, suddenly gleaming, Great pyramids of light, And instantly streaming And instantly streaming
Long rays, purple and white,
Goiden glow ascendeth,
Ray of rainbow blendeth Horizon to Zenith, Phosphorescent, Evanescent.

Fast to west extending. Appearing, quivering. Now melting, vanishing, Like spirit tis gliding, Bursting forth in splendor, Then melting into air:

Notes York, Jan. 3, 1852.

A STANGER SET RIGHT.

To the Editor of The N. Y. Tribune.

NiR: "What Charles Mackay says about Broadway" and "the Avenue," if not very poetic, is very like poetry, in that it contains a bit of pure imagina-

inc.

From "Trinity" to "Grace" the brilliant white marble rapidly" supplanting unsightly brick is the exception, not the rule.

The residents in Fifth avenue, says Dr. Mackay, live in "white marble palaces." Between "the Parade Ground" and Madison square there are only two of these so-called marble edifices, one of which is yet unfinished, and the other is quite a modest mansion. Brown stone and red brick are "thick as blackbetries."

But fortunately for the convers, the material of

But, fortunately for the owners, the material of these snowy fronts is not marble. Marble is not a good material for the climate of New-York. "Lustrous Parian" would be bright for ages in Egypt. Here it would soon be tarnished and worn. Our marble is a fine, homogeneous sandstone. Its superiority over brown or red sandstone consists mainly in the absence of oxidizable metals and metallic oxides.

S. T. S.

The taxes for 1858 will probably amount to at least \$8,560,000—to raise which the percentage of taxation will have to be increased about one eighth above that will have to be increased about one-eighth above that of last year, bringing it up, we should say, at least to \$1.75, and perhaps even beyond that startling figure. The process by which the valuation of property is to be determined this year (on the plan adopted by the last Legislature) is much better than the one heretofore in use. It is believed that under the old and rather defective law, a great amount of property was valued below its real worth. The new law, which gives the work of valuation to twelve Deputy Tax Commissioners for the whole city, instead of two Assessors for each Ward, is more stringent in its details, and is generally hetter adapted than its predecessor to get at an accus-Ward, is more stringent in its details, and is generally better adapted than its predecessor to get at an accurate estimate of the value of property. One clause in the law requires the Deputy Tax Commissioners to go into the street and measure blocks and lots—a thing which has long been needed, and has probably led to the detection of a great many under-estimates in former valuations. The Deputies have nearly completed their work, and will soon be ready to report to the Tax Commissioners, after which the books will be open for the examination of tax-payers, and will be revised and corrected by the Tax Commissioners, until the list of July, when the books will be sent to the Board of Supervisors, and will be taken as the basis of valuation upon which to make up the taxes for the year.

[Journal of Commerce.]

PROBABLE SUICIDE.—A package of letters was found by a policeman in the Trinity Church barying ground, Broadway, last Monday morning. They were written in a neat German hand, signed "Gustave Pelmt," and dated in the early part of last October. Among them is one written in lead pencil, which appears to have been the promptings of a depressed mind. The most striking features of this letter are confessions of disappointed love when in his native country; felt himself an exile in America, and complains of the non-remittance of \$500 by Cohn & Co. of Wolfenbutel, by which he was plunged in much pecuniary distress; gives directions to have this sum delivered upon its arrival to Mr. Werner Albrecht. He says he is 23 years of age, and that he dies like a delivered upon its arrival to Mr. Werner Albrecht. He says he is 23 years of age, and that he dies like a faded flower in the mountains; gives his last signs to his dear Florentine and his mother, and invokes the prayers, in his behalf, of those who learn of his sad fate. Signed "Gustave Pehnt." It would appear that this German arrived here on the 6th of October, and put up at Held's Hotel, which, upon inquiry by an agent of the Metropolitan Police, is found to be correct. The bar-tender thinks he saw him in front of the hotel as recently as ten days ago. Beside this, nothing further has been learned of the writer of the strange and significant letter. The Coroners remember of no circumstance of such a person being found dead, nor is there any fact to show that the suicids was ever committed.

PATAL ACCIDENT BY THE EXPLOSION OF CAMPHENE -Strah Briner, a German girl, 18 years of ago, died

terday at the New-York Hospital from the off of of burns received the evening previous, at No. Crosby street, an stated in yesterday's Transis. I decreased it appears was engined in falling a ligh camphene lamp, when the fluid caught fire, and camphene loop, when the fluid caught fire, and the flames communicated to her dress. Several of the inmates of the house rished to her assistance, but fore they could extinguish the flames she was fall burned and died five hours afterward. An inquives held upon the body of deceased, and a verdict maccidental death" was rendered.

A man, giving his name as Smith Wilcox, was ap A man, giving his name as Smith Wilcox, was apprehended yesterday, charged with attempting to pas a \$5 bill on the Bank of Macon, Geo., (an exploded concern.) to various persons about the city. At each of the pinces where Wilcox offered the bill it was refused, the storckeepers telling him that it was had On his person eighteen of the bills were found. Justice Breman, of Essex Market Police Court, committed the fellow to ruse.

A book-keeper named Benj. Thompson was arreste A book-sceper fames ben, I monitor was arrested, vesterday charged with embezzling 107 casks of mais valued at \$600, from the store of J. C. Hobson, No. 12 Penristreet, in whose employ be was. Thompser had the nails carted to the auction store of Greenough & Burdett in Wall street, where they were sold, and the proceeds handed over to him. Justice Connelly committed the accused for trial. In extennation of the rime Thompson alleged that he was intoxicated.

ANOTHER BURGLAR, -Officer Roe of the Fifteenth A softist B. Rataka.—Other Roc of the statement on complaint of Thos. C. Clark, Gentil being charged with burghry. Justice Qunckenbush sent the prisener to the District-Aktorney's office. Gentil was one of three who broke into a butcher-shop in Amity street, in November last, and stole therefrom \$100. He was at the time impleaded with his commander. street, in November last, and stole therefrom \$300. He was at the time impleaded with his companions who were arrested and indicted by the Grand Jury.

John Hart was arrested yesterday, charged with having on the Ioth of November last burglamously entered the store No. 173 West street, and stolen there from \$100 worth of cigars, and other articles to the value of \$50. Some of the cigars were sold to Stephe Kratzenberg, who gave information which led to the est of the accused. Justice Connochy locked th

The grocery store No. 407 Hudson street was bur Inc greeer, store No. 40. Hindson street was burgiariously entered on Monday night, and a firkin of butter stolen therefrom. Policeman Standish saw a man walking along Hudson street with the firkin upon his shoulder, and approached him, when the fellow dropped the tub of butter and escaped. Harnock Venbrock keeper of a little shop at No.

Harnock Venbrock keeper of a fittle snop at No. 75 Centre street, was yesterday taken into cust six charged with having received some of the goods stelen from Express warons, notice of which robberies has heretofore appeared in The TRIBUNE. His place was searched and a quantity of goods supposed to be stolen were found, but the package of silks which it is alleged he had received from one of the express the state of the stolen was held for hieves could not be found. Venbrock was held for

PURDY'S NATIONAL THEATER, -TO-NIGHT IS to presented for the first time G. L. Aikeu's dramatize Edgar W. Davies's \$1,000 prize tale, entitled the "KNT THE SILVER CROSS: Or, the Lion of Turkestan." This wit to a c the grand pantomine must improve the opportunity (Advertisement.)

KNAPP'S PATENT OIL LAMP .- For the superior ity of this Lamp over all others for burning the Kerosene and other Cool Oils, see editorial notice in The Pally Tribune of the 28th ult. and The Weekly Tribune of the 28 linst.

LOCAL ACKETS wanted in every Ward in the city. Also, COUNTY and Town RIGHTS in this State for sale by WHILLIAM SPOONER, Proprietor of the Patent, No. 423 Hudson-st.

(Advertisement.) The administration of medicinal preparations in the form of a Lozenge is of all modes the most clinible at convenient, more especially as regards a Courn Research Brown's Brown's Troches, or Courn Lozenges, all intitation, which induces coughing aye instant relief in Brachits, Hearseness, Influenza, and Consumptive and Asthmat

BROOKLYN ITEMS.

Botten Explosion .- Yesterday, between 1? and 1 o'clock, a boiler in Messrs, Farrel's distillery yard, near the Grand-street ferry, exploded in conseq of the water getting low. It was an upright boiler, and the head was blown some distance into the air, but alighted without any further damage being done. The Fire Department turned out, but their services were not required. Several companies returned up town through Grand street, and considerable dispesition was manifested to create a disturbance. Quit a large police force was out, and required the com-panies to proceed along in line. The Fifth Distric Police arrested Wm. French, John Starkey, Horace Wells, Hegeman Connoll and George Terry, engine runners, for violating the ordinance prohibiting any but firemen to drag the engines. They were locked up at the Fifth District Station-House.

DISTURBING A MISSION SCHOOL. - Three boys, named Thomas O'Conner, Daniel Kennedy and Patsy Ross, were brought before Justice Voorhies vesterday, on the charge of disturbing the Protestant Mission School the charge of disturbing the Protestant ansisted School at Red Hook Point, in throwing stones at the scholars. The School is disturbed nearly every Sunday by beys in the neighborhood. The accused were sent to jail or three days each.

PICKPOCKETS,-Yesterday Mrs. N. H. Smith of Nevins street near Boerum street, had her pocket picked of \$5 in small bills while in a store in Fulton street. The pickpocket was a respectable-looking female, calling herself Emma Wilson. After taking the pocket-book she left, and was soon after arrested, but had succeeded in the mean time in tearing two of the bills in pieces. Their fragments were found upon the sidewalk. The accused was taken to the First District Station-House, and looked up to await examination. Several other ladies had their pockets picked during the day.

THE NISTH WARD OUTRAGE. - The examination of the parties charged with committing a felonious assault upon John B. Jaques in the Ninth Ward some nights sinc, was continued before Justice Morehouse yesterday. Several witnesses were examined, but no new facts were elicited, and the further hearing was again postponed.

THE COURTS.—The Court of Sessions organized yesterday morning before Judge Morris and Justices Schoonnaker and Emmons. The Petit Jury was called, and, no cases being ready, the Court adjourned until the first Tuesday in February.

The Court of Oyer and Terminer, before Judge Strong and the above Justices, will be reorganized this

The City Court, before Judge Culver, is engaged in

NEW-JERSEY ITEMS.

OPENING OF THE HUDSON COUNTY COURTS.—The January term of the Hudson County Courts, with Judge Ogden presiding, opened at the Court-House in Hudson City yesterday morning. The following is a

list of the Grand Jurors:

Edmund Charles, foreman; William Peckham, Garret D. Van Ripen, Phillip Scott, Evan J. Davis, Geo. S. Gardner, John Kenney, John B. McBa, Robt, Betze, Charles T. Perry, Hiram W. Davis, Geo. Vreeland, Denning Duer, Benj. P. Miller, William Smith, Erastu B. Carpenter, Charles Clinton, F. J. Wetmore, Nath. N. Halstend, A. M. Zabriskie, Ulyases Sevoye, Joseph G. Kite, Lebisand.

Edge, John Ireland.

Judge Ogden charged the Jury in a speech of considerable length. He opened with siderable length. He opened with a reference to their general duties, dweltat length and with emphasis upon the evils growing out of the unlicensed liquor traffic especially the Sunday trade, and closed with a word as to the importance of observing secresy in relation their transactions. After the Jury had retired the Court was engaged for the remainder of the day hearing motions and Justices' appeals. The trial civil causes will be commenced this morning.

DROWNED .- A young man named Edward Donne ly, a resident of Shippenville, Hoboken, was drowned at a late hour on Sunday night by walking over the bow of the ferry-boat as it lay in the Barclay street slip. He was intoxicated at the time. The body has not yet here slip. He was into a pct yet been recovered.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

SUPREME COURT-SPECIAL TERM. - Jan. 12 - Before Judge ingranam.
IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF WM. F. CASE FOR

A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS TO BRING UP LOUISA WOLFSORN. In this case, which was mentioned in Tuesday's TRINUSE, a return was made by Dr. Lansing of King's

County Lunatic Asylum, in whose custody the lady The lady was in court, and is of quiet demeanor and

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of Bloomingdale Asylum, the father of Miss Wolfschn

and others.

Mr. Weifsohn deposes that to the Summer of 1856 he had fived in Germany with his daughter; that some years ago she was accomb frightened by the running away of a horse; after this fright she became very strange in her behavior, fond of solution and very neglectful of her person, at her methers feath, which happened scon after, Miss Welfsohn showed no feeling of regret or care, subsequently her dameanor change entirely, also became extravagantly fond of dross and display, and took every opportuncy to attract the attention of the supposite sex; this conduct she centimed and the faither thought it were some obligate or blace her in the ril her father thought it necessary to place her in an

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The physicians of both these institutions depose to the same state of facts. They say that Mise Wolfsohn has strong marks of insanity. The chief characteristics are as follows:

She has an opinion of her personal and mental qualities and acquirements such as is not at all warranted by the facts. She is exceedingly fond of dress and display, and, though alone in the Asylum, arrays herself in full dress, as for an evening party, and is in the habit of asking the opinions of all she meets as to her beauty. Her fondness for the society of men is excessive, and she takes every means to attract all whom she meets. At Bloomingdaic, Miss Wolfsohn was in the habit of dressing with great magnificence and addressing herself to the Governors on the occasion of their visits, and asking their opinion of her personal attractions.

Miss Wolfsohn is likewise very bitter in her feelings toward her father and family, and accuses then of defranding her of a large amount of property She is continually talking of men of rank in Germany as her lovers, and relating stories of their attention Mr. Wolfsohn, in his affidavit, denies that his daugh-

Mr. Wolfsohn, in his affidavit, denies that his daughter is entitled to any fortune other than a reversionary interest of small amount, which has not yet vested in interest. It likewise appears that the lady has been several times committed to handle asylums in Germany by magistrates while she lived there.

The case was adjourned for further hearing until Thursday next, at 10 a.m., Miss Wolfsohn in the mean time to remain at the Asylum.

Before Judge Davies.

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THE RONAN CATHOLIC OUTGAN ASTLIM GRANT—MOTHOS.FOR INJUSCITION DESILED.

Orin Terry sat. The Mayor, Ac.

This was the second application for an injunction to
restrain the transfer of a large tract of land to the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum. This morning Judge
Davies rendered the following opinion, denying the
motion for injunction:

Assuming the statements of the complaint to be true,
the defendant, during the progress of this suit, can
sustain no injury by the doing of the act which be
foars.

It is not usual to grant an injunction, unless to re-It is not usual to grant an injunction, unless to re-strain an injury which may be irreparable. If such a practice has been to any extent obtained, recent events admonish as that this power should be exercised with caution. This writ is the strong arm of the Court, and should never be outstretched or uplifted except to

and should never be outstretched or uplifted except to protect the weak, and restrain an injury for which no other relief can be afforded.

For these, and reasons heretofore stated in the case, I cannot see it my duty to interfere by injunction in the present stage of this cause, and the motion is therefore

denied.
Mr. Blunt, counsel for the plaintiff, has appealed

from the first order of Judge Davies denying the injunc-tion asked for, and he will immediately appeal from the one in the present application.

Orrin Terry agt. The Mayor &c. of the City of New-York, et al.—Motion for injunction denied.
Frederick A. Conkling &c. agt. Daniel D. Remsen, &c.—Motion for attachment denied without costs and without prejudice to an action.

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SUFERIOR COURT.—Jan. 12.—Before Justice Boswoars and a Jury.

William Bigger agt. The Allaire Works—Equitable defenses in actions at an under the code—Release in full for damages on account of personal injuries avoised on the ground of undue influence, incompetency to contract, and fraud.

The action was brought to recover damages occasioned to the pinning file the chileng upon him of a scattleding creeted by defendant's workinen around a teamship boiler in Corlear street. The plaintiff was a laboring man, and when going home to dinner an omnibus ran against the scaffolding and caused it to fall upon him, breaking both bones of his leg, and incombus ran against the scallosing and conseq it is fall upon him, breaking both bones of his leg, and in-juring his ankle. A week after the accident an agent of the defendant's gave him \$125, and obtained from him, when on his bed, a receipt and release in full. The detendant's counsel insisted that if any one was orignally liable, it was the Stage Company. That a The detendant's counsel insisted that if any one was originally liable, it was the Stage Company. That a formal release would not be avoided in an action at law, but that an action on the equity side of the Court must be brought to set the release aside, before an action for damages could be maintained. That the money paid must be tendered back before action brought.

The plaintiff's counsel claimed that the boiler and staging in the street were a public nuisance, and that the defendant were guilty of gross negligence in the crection of a staging, and claimed to avoid the release on the ground that the plaintiff was unapprised of his

on the ground that the plaintiff was mapprised of his rights when it was obtained. That it was obtained for an inadequate considera-tion, under circumstances of undue influence when the plaintiff was under the pressure of great pecuniary distress, and by oppression and fraud when the plain-tiff was not in a condition, physically or mentally, to nke a binding contract.

The case occupied three days in its trial, and the stimeny as to the condition of the plaintiff when the

release was signed was very conflicting.

Verdict for plaintiff, \$600. Mr. Stanley and Mr.

Graham for plaintiff, Mr. Rapallo and Mr. Doyle for defendant.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS-Jan. 12.-Before Judge RUSSELL. Russent.

Immediately after the opening of Court this morning, Thomas Genti was called to the bar and pleaded guilty to burglary in the third degree. He was sent to the State Prison for two years.

Samuel Martin, indicted for grand larceny, pleaded guilty to petit larceny, and was sent to the Penitentiary for its morths.

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and checks, in all of the amount of about \$5,000, on the 29th of December, from Wait W. Wilson, broker, No. 744 Wall street, was then placed upon trial. It was shown clearly in evidence that the accused knecked with his list three times against the glass of the window, belind which the money lay exposed, and finally broke the glass. The accused was arrested on the spot. He had taken none of the money. Accused deposed that he is 44 years old, was born in Scotland, and is a toy maker by occupation. He pleaded drunkenness as the cause of the offense. The Jury convicted him, and he was sent to the Penitentary for one year.

Andrew Long and Louis Martin were then placed on trial, indicted with another party by the name of Brady, for robbery. The robbery was alleged to have been committed on a Frenchman by the name of Kyott, on the aight of the 8th of December, at a lager beer and lodging house, corner of Leonard and Church streets, where the accused were charged with taking by violence from Ryott a watch and chain worth \$50, with \$11.50 in money. The evidence on the trial was pretracted, and a good deal confused, but the substance of it was, that while Lang was present and participating in a kind of mixed affray, he was not distinctly implicated in the crime charged. Nor was there clear evidence of a robbery, though the proof was quite duanct of larceny. The watch was afterward found on Martin, and was identified by Ryott as his. The Jury after a longthy conference found Lang not guity, and Martin guilty of grand larceny. The latter was immediately senienced to the State Prison for two years and nine months.

Francis McHugh was then placed at the bar, charged with robbery in the first degree, in attacking John Williams on the night of the 18th of November, in Water street, between Catharine and Oliver streets, and taking from him by violence a lead pencil a kaife, a 5-cent piece, some coppers and a plag of tobacco. The complainant was passing through Water street on

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the night aforesaid. the night aforesaid, and was attacked by eight or ten men, of whom the prisoner was one. The latter caught him by the throat, another struck him from behind, and then called him a bad name and asked him "to treat." Williams refused to treat. The gang then dragged him into a public house, where they called to liquor. They said to Williams, "Pay "for that, you son of a b—h." In the mean time Williams got his pocket-book out of his pocket and thrust it in his boot, when the complainant said he had no money. McHugh again seized Williams by the throat, and then let go of him and seizing both of his pockets, turned them inside out, and plundered the articles before named. Williams then managed to escape, and calling for an officer had the prisoner immediately arrested. This was the evidence, on which the Jury at once rendered a verdict of guilty. The

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escape, and calling for an officer had the prisoner immediately arrested. This was she evidence, on which the Jury at once rendered a verdict of guilty. The Court immediately proceeded to pronounce judgment, and seat the prisoner to the State Prison for 13 years and 0 months. Molliugh has been tried once before for a crime of the same description, and owing to some technical point raised in his favor was acquitted.

Ann Wells, indicted for stealing 72 morocco skins, worth \$91, in December last, from an express-wagon, reming between Brooklyn and New-York, in change of Mr. Dellarree, was then placed on trial. The prisoner was found, about half an hour after the skins were lock in possession of 53 of them, and pretonded to have found them. She said she was on her way to the Station-House with tham, in hopes of getting a couple of dollars for taking them there. But Mr. Dellarree (cetalied that he left the skins securely placed in farree (retailed that he left the skins securely placed in

his wagen where they could not relieut. He had led his hot-e standing and was gone about five minutes, and came back and found the skins gone. He moreover testified that just before leaving the wagon he had seen a woman about the wagon picking ohips, asswering the appearance of the accused, but was not sure it was she, and had driven her away. The accused deposed that she did not know her age; was been in Ireland, and lodged where she could pay for it. The Jury, after a short consultation, convicted her, and the Court sent her to the State Prison for two years, the lowest sentence in the power of the Judge to impose.

Michael Weaver pleaded guilty to an attempt at burglary in the third degree. Sentence deferred till

burglary in the third degree. Sentence deferred till Saturday.

Francis Forrester and John Richmond were them placed upon trial, indicted for burglary in the third degree, in breaking, on the 7th of December, into the shoe store of John Whitlock, No. 2.9 Tenth avenue, and sterling therefrom \$40 worth of boots and shoes. The fact of a burglary alleged in the indictment in this case was distinctly proven, and a few pair of the toots and shoes stolen were, shortly after, found on the prischers. The officer who arrested Forrester, moreover, found in his room a loaded pistol, quite a bunch of skeleten kegs, with a number of files and jummles. The hoots and shoes found on the accused were positively identified by Whitlock and one of his journeymen as the property stolen on the night of the burglary. Forrester is eighteen years old, was born in New-York, and is a laborer by occupation. Richmend is nincteen years old, was born in Scotland, lives in Twenty-sixth street, and is a brass-founder by occupation. The Jury, after a short consultation, rondered a verdict of guilty, and the Court immediately proceeded to pass sentence. Forrester, pronunced an old offender, was sent to the State Prison for four years and nine months.

John Lemmon and George Vanderver, colored, were then placed at the bar for stealing, on the 29th of December, a gold patent lever watch, worth \$15, from Leuis Simmons, No. 209 Spring street. The prisoners were shown, by both the wife and daughter of Simmons, to have come up to their shop (a pawn shop at the aforessid mumber), when Lemmon, breaking a glass of the window, grabbed the gold watch and both run off together. This was done in the presence of the aforessid wife and daughter, who testified positively both to the act and the identity of the prisoners as the persons who committed it. The watch was never recovered. Vanaterver is 17 years old, was born in Morris County, N. J., and is a water by occupation. Lemmon is 21 years old, and is a waiter by occupation. Lemmon is 21 very sold, and is not Saturday.

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Thos. Coyle and Jeremiah Regan, indicted for steal-Thos. Coyle and Jeremiah Regan, indicted for stealing eleven bars of railroad iron from the Hudson River Railroad Company, were then placed on trial. But the prosecution failed to prove that any theft had been committed, though it was proven that the iron found in possession of the accused must have come from the company's iron; and with this kind of evidence the District-Attorney was compelled to abandon the case. The Jury, thereupon, rendered a formal verified of not quilty. the case. The Jury, thereupon, rendered a formal verdict of not guilty.

The Court then adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS .- JAN. 12 - Before Justices

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Obmons and Sterms.

The entire number of cases on to-day's Calcudar
was 67.—45 prison cases, 19 bail cases and 3 disorderlies. Jas. Brown was among the first prisoners arraigned, charged with stealing, on the 7th of January,
six pairs of pants, worth \$12, from David Weiman,
No. 38 Theompson street. The prisoner was seen to
take the pants and run away with them. Sent to the
Penitentiary for 3 months.

Wm. Bin stole, on the 8th of January, seven pairs
of blankets, worth \$21, from Geo. L. Smith, of the
steamer Francis Skiddy, lying at the foot of Liberty
street. The blankets were found in possession of the
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Wm. Dane stole, on the 2th of January, silver and copper coin to the amount of \$2 from Patrick Leahy, No. 54 Grand etreet. Accused was caught in the acc of puling out the money drawer. Sent to the Penitentiary for one month.

Michael Murray stole, on the 7th of January, four pigs of copper and one brass wheel, worth \$3, from Patrick Kennedy, No. 72 Fifth street. A part of the property was found in possession of the accused by Officer Garredett. Accused was fixed \$30.

Catharine Hobler was found guilty of stealing, on the 8th of January, three pieces of female clothing worth 50 cents, from Mary Horan, No. 22 Madison street. The clothing was found in the custody of Catharine. Sent to the Penitentiary for three months. Comelius Fitzsimmons, charged with stealing a vest worth 70 cents, from Mary Meyer, No. 271 Albany

worth 75 cents, from Mary Meyer, No. 271 Albang treet, was acquitted.

Jonathan Saward was convicted of assault and batry, on the 5th of January, on Lewis Smith of the chooner Vapor, at Pier No. 18 East River, and fined

Mary Haine (colored) stole on the 4th of January, & Mary Hame (colored) stole on the sta of January, agold bracelet, worth \$20, from Luey C. Richards, No. 17 Great Jones street. Mary confessed to theft, and moreover, the bracelet was found upon her. Sont to the Penitentiary for three months.

Clara Timpson and Catharine Breeson stole, on the

9th of January, a silver watch and chain, worth \$14, from Watson McAdam, No. 112 Fulton avenue, Brooklyn. Breesen was caught in the act of this larceay, but both were in company. They are well-known veteran thieves. Sent to the Penitentiary for four

John Rodgers was convicted of assault and battery on the 5th of January, on Ann Filenining, between Twelfth avenue and Thirty-ninth street, and was seen to the Penitentiary for two months. Michael Gallagher stole, on the 9th of January, &

piece of goods, worth \$4, from Daniel G. Donohae, No. 583 Eighth avenue. Gallagher was seen to run off with the goods. Sent to the Penitentiary for three months.

James Kyan and John Fagan were charged with

stealing, on the oth of January, a bag of flour worth \$1 from Solomon Meeks, in Eighty-second street, between Second and Third avenues. Ryan was convicted, and sent to the Penitentiary for three months, Fagna was seconities. Fagan was acquitted.

Wm. L. Pearce, stole, on the 11th of January, onc-

half barrel of sait herrings, worth \$2. On the com-plaint of Smith Weeks, No. 44 Front street, the preperty of Woodruff and Robinson. Pearce was caught in the act of purioning the herrings. He was sent to the Penitentiary for two months. Henry Smith, was found in possession of two axle arms, worth \$4, he had stolen on the 7th of January, from George Butten, No. 440 Broadway, and was seen

to the Penitentiary for two months.

James Clark, colored, stole, on the 7th of January, a pair of cassimere pants, worth \$7, from William Gooday, No. 107 South street. Clark had the cassimere in his possession. He was sent to the Penitentiary for three months.

Martin Climan, charged with an assault on John Martin Climan, charged with an assault on John

Muller, No. 95 Washington street, was acquitted.
Edward Donald was caught in the act of stealing on
the 10th of January a signboard, worth \$1, from David.
W. Waters, No. 105 Hudson street, and was sent to

he Penitentiary for one month.

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empty box worth 50 cents, on the complaint of Francis Fay of the Second Precinct Police. Conway was seen to take the box, and is, moreover, an habitual idler about defferson Market. Edward was, therefore, sent to the Penitentiary for four months.

Alexander Hare was convicted of a shameful assault and battery on his wife Ann, No. 41 Thomas street, and was sent to the Penitentiary for two months. Alexander had put his wife out in the street in the night time and threatened her life.

John G. and Leopold Dunwalder, John Kohl, Loui Woblich and Dominick Pendergast, charged with as sault and battery, were all acquitted.

Wm. Pomeroy, colored, was convicted of assault and battery, on the 8th of January, on Susan Williams, also colored, No. 109 Reads street, and was sent to the Penitentiary for three months.

Robert Wilshman was convicted of assault and battery, on the 21st of January, on Robert Wildman, an I was remanded to Saturday for sentence.

Wm. Johnson stole, on the 8th of January, a portemonaic with \$1.85 from the pocket of Sarah Ellis, No. 42 Devoe street, Williams-burgh. The larceny was committed in the public street, and the plunder was in the possession of William. Sent to the Penitentiary for three months.

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Several other cases were either adjourned to a future day or discharged for absence of winesses, whon the Court adjourned to 3 o clock on Thursday morning.

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Superior Court-Special Term.-The following Superior Court Special Nos. 70, 59, 37, 50, 19, 47, 40, 50,

9, 62 COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.—Part I.—Nos. 357, 33, 35, 135, 174, 175, 179, 199, 209, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 132, Past II, —Nos. 146, 147, 19, 188, 189, 89, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 777, UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.-Nos. 150, 39,

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